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NEW PANTOMIME

OF

The Choice of Harlequin:

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# CHARACTERS,

Harlequin, - Mr. BATES.

Keeper of Bridewell, - Mr. EDWIN,

Lieutenant, - Mr. DAPLY.

Groom Porter, Mr. Doyle.

Clown, . . Mr. STEVENS.

Virtue, . . Mrs. MARTYR,

Pleasure, Mrs. Morron,

# S O N G S, &c.

IN THE

## NEW PANTOMIME

CALLED

# The Choice of Harlequin.

#### RECITATIVE.

VIRTUE, (Speaking to Harlequin.)

ARISE!—behold, commission'd from above, I come, th' immortal minister of Jove:

Let VIRTUE guide thy inexperienc'd youth,

And lead thy footsteps to the paths of truth.

## AIR.

Let not pain or toil difmay thee, Fashion rule, or vice betray thee; Guilty pleasures cannot last, Crackling thorns are quickly past;

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Flash with momentary fire, Blaze awhile, and soon expire: Solid joys unmix'd with woe, Virtue only can bestow.

## RECITATIVE.

PLEASURE, (to Harlequin.)

Turn thee from that brow austere, A fairer form invites thee here; Tun'd to notes of softest measure, Listen to the voice of pleasure.

# RECITATIVE.

VIRTUE.

Beyond that steep ascent and rugged path,
Where hangs you dreadful precipice, uplift
Thy wond'ring eye, and on that height sublime
Behold my temple, fill'd with demi-gods,
And heroes sam'd of old!—if thou hast strength
To climb with me, a life of endless bliss
And wreaths immortal shall reward thy toil.

## RECITATIVE

#### PLEASURE.

From threat'ning rocks and dreary prospects turn
Thy frighted eye to level paths that court
Thy willing feet, where wreath'd with many a
flower,

With odorous shrubs and scatter'd roses strew'd, Uprises fair, the palace of delight.

# DUETT.

VIRTUE.

Lift not to her flattering tale

PLEASURE.

Let my friendly voice prevail.

VIRTUE.

Make my temple still thy home.

PLEASURE.

Hither, hither, hither come.

VIRTUE.

Sons of Fortune, come and fee.

BOT H.

Follow, follow, follow me.

#### A I R.

#### PLEASURE.

Come, and feast thy ravish'd sight
In the regions of delight;
Bacchus in his rosy bower,
Waits to crown the festive hour;
Lovely with attractive charms,
Venus wooes thee to her arms:
Haste thee, gentle youth, and prove
The sweets of liberty and love.

# CATCH.

Ist Gambler. Pass the box.

2d G. Come, pass it faster.

Groom Porter. Seven the hazard, four the cafter!

3d G. The odds!—two hundred here to one!

Cafter. With you, fir!

3d G. Done!

Cafter. And you, fir!

4th G. Done!

5th G. Come, cover, cover.

6th G. Set about.

Caft, Here goes-here goes.

Groom Porter. The Caster's out.

# CHORUS.

(The one half finging the two first lines—the others the last.)

Eight hundred gone! that hellish fice! Such luck! O curse the box and dice!

Eight hundred gain'd! that lucky fice! Well done! well done! good box and dice!

Groom P. The box is your's, fir.

If G. Come, the main.

Groom. A feven.

2d G. Fifty!

Caster, Done!

3d G. Again,

4th G. Five hundred!

Caster. Done!

6th G. Again!

Cast. With you.

6th G. I've loft a thousand.

If G. I've lost two.

I'll try again, whate'er befal, A thousand!

Cafter. Done, I set ye all.

2d G. Throw, throw.

3d G. Ay, now the sport begins.

Cast. Here goes.

Greom. A nick; the Caster wins.

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# CHORUS (as before.)

Four thousand pounds! that hellish sice!
Such luck! O damn the box and dice!
Four thousand gain'd! that lucky sice!
Well done, well done, good box and dice!

### S O N G.

#### BRIDEWELL-KEEPER.

Ye Scamps, ye Pads, ye Divers, and all upon the lay,

In Tothill fields gay sheep-walk like lambs ye fport and play,

Rattling up your darbies, come hither at my call,

I'm Jigger Dubber here, and you're welcome to Mill Doll.

With my tow row, &c.

At your infurance-office the Flats you've taken in;

The game you've play'd, my Kiddy, you're always fure to win:

First you touch the Shiners—the number up—you break,

With your infuring policy! I'd not infure your neck.

The French with trotters nimble, could fly from English blows,

And they've got nimble daddles, as Monsieur plainly shews:

Be thus the foes of Britain bang'd, ay thump away Monsieur,

The hemp you're beating now, will make your folitaire.

My peepers, who've we here now! why this is fure Black Moll;

My ma'am you're of the fair fex, so welcome to Mill Doll:

The cull with you who'd venture into a fnoozing ken,

Like blackamoor Othello, should put out the light, and then—

I think, my flashy coachman, that you'll take better care,

Not for a little bub come the slang upon your fare:

Your jazy pays the garnish, unless the fees you tip,

Tho' you're a flashy coachman, here the gagger holds the whip.

### CHORUS.

We'r escamps, we're pads, we're divers, we're all upon the lay,

In Tothill-fields gay sheep-walk like lambs we fport and play;

Rattling up our darbies, we're hither at your call, You are Jigger Dubber here, and we're forc'd for to mill doll.

With ar tow row, &c.

# PART II.

#### RECITATIVE.

#### VIRTUE.

At length, repentant youth, with joy I fee, Missed by pleasure, thou return'st to me, Henceforth my steps if thou pursue, And keep me ever in thy view.

#### A I R.

Smiling Fortune shall befriend thee, Hymen's joys shall still attend thee; Every blessing thou shalt know, Which Peace and Virtue can bestow.

## SCENE-A Prifon.

### AIR.

FIRST PRISONER.

Alas, fir, I fear we are in for our lives.

SECOND PRISONER. For stealing three shillings.

#### THIRD PRISONER.

A pious old Doctor has shewn me the way,

And has brought me to this by his Thelyphthora.

Chorus. Could you knock off, &c.

#### FOURTH PRISONER.

I lent my friend money, and lo, in the end, Too common a case, lost both money and friend; For prudently be made the best of his way, And kindly has lest me the reck'ning to pay.

#### FIFTH PRISONER.

Would you think it? an impudent harlot has fwore,

That I made her by force,—what she was long before;

And unless some good friend gets me out of the scrape,

'Tis a hundred to one but I'm hang'd for a rape.

#### SIXTH PRISONER.

Behold a poor bard, an unfortunate wight, Whose piece was unluckily damn'd the first night; When my butcher and taylor were rather severe, And have sent me to finish my tragedy bere.

### CHORUS.

Then knock off our chains, fir, on this happy day,

And your humble petitioners ever shall pray.

### SONG.

#### MIDSHIPMAN.

Come, my boys, let us go, fince again we are free, Let us hafte to the empire of freedom, the fea, Where each proud ufurper we'll boldly dethrone, And tell 'em that kingdom was always our own. We owe the French something for tricks t'other day,

The debt of a drubbing, which gladly we'll pay,

Their bravadoes we'll scorn, and their threats we despise,

We yield but to conquer, and fink but to rife; With Parker and Rodney, we'll trim the Mounfeers,

We'll tickle the Spaniards, and wing the Mynheers.

#### II.

One William preferv'd our religion and laws,
And another now rifes to plead our great cause,
This brave, gallant youth, is a true Britain born,
His King he'll defend, and his country adorn.
Each hardship, each danger, he'll boldly defy,
For Digby shall teach him to conquer or die.
Tho' the waves have been rough, and the wind
in our teeth,

We finile at misfortune, wounds, shipwreck and death;

And still hope, my dear boys, that by shifting our fail,

At last we shall meet with a prosperous gale.

## RECITATIVE.

#### VIRTUE.

Thanks, noble youth, thy debt of honor's paid, My voice is heard, and my commands obey'd; My laws thou hast observ'd with due regard, And soon shalt thou receive the bright reward. Safe in the arms of beauty's Queen,
Transported to the blissful scene,
Where fortune first indulgent smil'd,
And blest with wealth her darling child:
There shall the nuptial knot be ty'd,
In all the pomp of eastern pride.

#### SONG.

#### LIEUTENANT.

As you mean to fet fail for the land of delight, And in wedlock's foft hammocks to fwing e'very night,

If you hope that your voyage successful shou'd prove,

Fill your fails with affection, your cabbin with love. Fill your fails, &c.

Let your heart, like the main-mast, be ever upright,

And the Union you boaft, like our tackle be tight;

Of the shoals of Indisf'rence be sure to keep clear,

And the quickfands of jealoufy never come near.

And the, &c.

If husbands e'er hope to live peaceable lives, They must reckon themselves, give the helm to their wives;

For the evener we go, boys, the better we fail, And on ship board the helm is still rul'd by the tail.

And on Shipboard, &c.

Then lift to your pilot, my boy, and be wife; If my precepts you fcorn, and my maxims defpife,

A brace of proud antlers your brows may adorn,

And a hundred to one but you double Cape Horn.

# RECITATIVE.

PLEASURE.

All-subduing goddess, see, Pleasure comes to join with thee.

VIRTUE.

Then let us join the focial lay, And celebrate this happy day.

# EPITHALAMIUM.

VIRTUE.

Her choicest gifts with lavish hand,
See, smiling plenty pours,
Whilst peace, at Hymen's soft command,
Lights up the chearful hours.

Still shall each fresh returning spring
Its earliest roses shed,
And Flora all her tribute bring,
To strew the nuptial bed.

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#### PLEASURE.

Brifk youth, exulting god, shalt lead
His fair attendant, joy,
To crown with blifs his best lov'd
maid,
And grace his favorite boy.

Whilst the gay nymph and jocund swain

In sestal chorus move,

And Venus joins the sportive train

With harmony and love.

## CHORUS.

Thus let us join the focial lay, And celebrate this happy day; The bands which vice and folly weave, Soon will loofen and deceive.

Virtue's adamantine chain Still unbroken shall remain.

# GENERAL CHORUS.

Happy must the union prove, Form'd by virtue and by love.

THE PROCESSION.

